

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, WFO

FROM : SAC, BUFFALO (105-5492) (P)

SUBJECT: CHESTER F. CARLSON
IS - R
VISITORS TO IRON CURTAIN
COUNTRIES - USSR
IS - R

DATE: 6/22/65

Re New York letter to Boston dated 4/30/65,
and captioned "VISITORS TO IRON CURTAIN COUNTRIES - USSR,
IS - R."

Subject CARLSON's name and address is set forth
on page two of referenced letter and it is noted he is
contemplating a trip to Russia during the coming summer.

The Rochester, New York Suburban City Directory
lists CHESTER F. CARLSON, wife, DORRIS, as a Patent Attorney
for the Xerox Corporation, at 133 Crescent Hill Road,
Fairport, New York.

On 6/17/65, the newsclipping file on CHESTER F.
CARLSON located in the "Rochester Times Union" Library,
was reviewed by SA KENNETH P. GLENNON, and the following
information obtained:

CARLSON was born in 1906, at Seattle, Washington.
He was educated in public schools in San Bernardino,
California. He received a Bachelor of Science in Physics
from the California Institute of Technology in 1930, he
received a Law Degree from New York Law School at New
York City, New York, and was admitted to the New York State
Bar in 1933. CARLSON was employed by the Bell Telephone
Company in New York City as a Research Engineer and Assistant
Patent Attorney from 1930 to 1933.

CARLSON subsequently worked for P. R. Mallory
Company of New York City, an electronics firm, for eleven
years. He then was a partner in Hoag, Kilburn, and Carlson.

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CARLSON invented an electrophotographic method which is now known as Xerography in 1938. He had it patented 11/25/40, patent number 2, 221, 776.

Since 1948, CARLSON has been a consultant with the Xerox Corporation, which has developed and marketed machines using his invention.

CARLSON is a member of the American Physical Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He is the author of various papers and numerous patents on electrophotography and Xerography. CARLSON was named Inventor of the Year in April 1965 by the George Washington University Patent, Trademark, and Copyright Institute. He received an honorary Doctor of Engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute on 6/12/64. He received the Longstreth Metal of the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia on 6/21/63. He received the Centennial Metal from Columbia University on 4/28/64, and a citation from the Rochester Patent Law Association on 5/5/65. CARLSON received the award of the Society of Photographic Scientists and Engineers at Boston in May 1962.

Subject's credit record at Rochester is excellent. There is no record for him at the Rochester, New York Police Department or the Monroe County, New York Sheriff's Office.

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AT WFO, WASHINGTON, D. C. Will check State Department passport and security records on CARLSON.

BUFFALO

AT ROCHESTER, NEW YORK. If it becomes certain that subject will visit Russia, will give consideration to interview of him upon his return from Russia.

SAC, BUFFALO (105-5492)

7/23/65

SAC, WFO (105-66395) (RUC)

"CHANGED"

CHESTER FLOYD CARLSON, aka
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Title marked "Changed" to CHESTER FLOYD CARLSON to indicate complete name of subject as shown in the files of the Passport Office, United States Department of State.

ReBulet dated 6/22/65.

The files of the Passport Office, United States Department of State, reviewed by IC [redacted] on 7/14/65, contained the following information:

CHESTER FLOYD CARLSON was issued passport C-053552 on 3/5/62, for proposed four to six weeks travel to England, France, Holland, Germany, Italy, Austria, Russia, Czechoslovakia, and Poland for the purpose of "As consultant to Parapsychology Laboratory, Duke University, to visit European parapsychologists." In his application for passport dated 2/28/62, at Rochester, New York, he stated that he intended to depart from New York on 6/1/62, via air. This passport was valid for three years' travel to all countries except Albania, Cuba and those portions of China, Korea and Viet-Nam under communist control.

CARLSON stated that he was born on 2/8/06, at Seattle, Washington. He gave his permanent residence as 133 Crescent Hill Road, Pittsford, New York. He listed his father as OLOP ADOLPH CARLSON, born on 8/23/1870, at Grove City, Minn., and his mother as ELLEN JOSEPHINE HAWKINS, born on 11/22/1870, at Grove City, Minn. He stated that he was last married on 1/20/46, to DORRIS HUDGINS TALBOTT, who was born on 11/10/03, at Portsmouth, Virginia. He indicated that he was previously married on 9/20/34, to ELSA CHARLOTTE VON MALLER, who was born on 3/7/09, at Astoria, Long Island, New York. He stated that this marriage was terminated by divorce on 2/13/45.

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Passport C-53552 was renewed on or about 1/7/65, at Boston, Mass., at which time he stated that he intended to depart from New York on 7/20/65, for a proposed thirty days pleasure trip to Russia, W. Germany, E. Germany (Berlin), and Great Britain.

CARLSON was previously issued passport 057559 on 5/14/56, for proposed two months pleasure trip to European Countries, departing on 7/1/56, from New York City via ship.

The following description appeared in his files:

Height:	6'1"
Hair:	Blonde
Eyes:	Blue
Scar or Marks:	Crescent scar on right forefinger
Occupation:	Attorney

Copies were made of the photo appearing on the application for passport and will be forwarded to Buffalo by R/S when processed.

Records of the Security and Visa Office, USDS, contain no pertinent information regarding CARLSON.

(Title) CHESTER FLOYD CARLSON

(File No.) 105-66395*

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Date Received 8/9/65

From Passport Office
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)-----
(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)
Wash., D. C.(CITY AND STATE)
IC
By _____
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned Yes ☐
No ☒

Description:

photo of
CHESTER FLOYD CARLSONb6
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Chester F. Carlson
2/28/62